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1. AT MAY 3 PRESS CONFERENCE FRG SPOKESMAN BOELLING
MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON THE BREZHNEV VISIT.

BEGIN TEXT:

THE CHANCELLOR GAVE A PREVIEW OF THE VISIT OF GENERAL
SECRETARY BREZHNEV AT TODAY'S CABINET MEETING. THE
CHANCELLOR AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER USED THIS OCCASION
TO POINT OUT THE GREAT IMPORTANCE THAT THE FRG ATTACHED
TO THIS VISIT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF GERMAN-SOVIET
RELATIONS AND FOR THE CONTINUATION OF DETENTE IN
EUROPE. THE CHANCELLOR NOTED THAT HE HAD FOUND
GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV AN OPEN AND INTERESTING
INTERLOCUTOR DURING HIS VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION IN
1974 AND DURING THEIR MEETING AT THE HELSINKI CSCE
SUMMIT. HE (THE CHANCELLOR) EXPECTS A DETAILED,
REALISTIC EXCHANGE OF VIEWS REGARDING BILATERAL
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RELATIONS AND CURRENT INTERNATIONAL ISSUES SUCH AS
DETENTE AND DISARMAMENT. FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER
TOLD THE CABINET THAT THE CENTERPIECE OF THE DISCUSSIONS
WAS THE GOAL OF CREATING A LONG-TERM POSITIVE BASIS
FOR RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE FRG
IN THE BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL SPHERES. THE
CHANCELLOR AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER WISH TO WIDEN THE

BASIS OF TRUST AND THEREBY CONTRIBUTE TO A NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS.

2. THE BERLIN QUESTION WILL BE DISCUSSED ALONG WITH OTHER IMPORTANT QUESTIONS. THE CHANCELLOR WILL MAKE CLEAR THAT INCLUDING BERLIN IN THE CONCEPT OF DETENTE IS IN THE INTERESTS OF BERLIN'S INHABITANTS AS WELL AS IN THE INTEREST OF REDUCING TENSION IN EAST-WEST RELATIONS. FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF THE FRG IT IS A MATTER OF ENSURING THAT THE POLITICAL SIDE OF DETENTE IS COMPLEMENTED BY MILITARY DETENTE THAT WILL BRING NEARER ARMS CONTROL ACCORDS AND THE GOAL OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MILITARY BALANCE IN EUROPE. THEREFORE, THE MBFR NEGOTIATIONS, IN WHICH THE SOVIET UNION AND THE FRG PARTICIPATE, WILL BE A MAJOR THEME OF THE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE CHANCELLOR AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE GENERAL SECRETARY AND GROMYKO.

3. ON THE ECONOMIC SIDE, IT WILL BE A MATTER OF PLACING RELATIONS ON A SOLID AND LASTING BASIS. THE FRG EXPECTS THE LONG-TERM AGREEMENT ON ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION TO HAVE POSITIVE EFFECTS IN OTHER AREAS OF OUR RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

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4. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ON BERLIN, BOELLING REPLIED IN PART, "BERLIN WILL BE DISCUSSED WITHOUT DAMAGE TO THE CLEAR RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FOUR POWERS."
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